

City of Santa Barbara PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL Regular Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, October 8, 2014

DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to Order 6:07pm

ROLL CALL

Aldana, Sebastian Cavazos, Ed Foxen, Sally Heaton, Brittany Lafond, Susan Limón, Javier Peña, Theresa

Staff Present

NOS Senior Supervisor Mark Alvarado Administrative Specialist Jessica Martinez

Liaisons Present

Olivia Uribe – Parks and Recreation Commission
Beebe Longstreet – Parks and Recreation Commission
Gregg Hart – City Council
Bendy White – City Council

Advisory Council Members Absent

Fragosa, Abbey Greene, Naomi Haynes, Christy Soto, Ana Rution, Joe

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Community Conversation on Streets, Parks and Facilities –For Information and Discussion

Recommendation: That the N.A.C. hear a presentation from a City Council sub-committee on the condition of the City's basic infrastructure, including streets, sidewalks, libraries, community centers, police and fire stations, and park and recreation facilities. N.A.C. will be asked to

provide input on how the City Council should prioritize funding. - Nina Johnson, Assistant to City Administrator

The council received a presentation from City Councilmembers Randy Rouse and Bendy White as well as Assistant to the City Administrator, Nina Johnson regarding the City's Infrastructure and the flowing focus points:

Focus 1: Viable and Functioning City While Preserving Legacy

Focus 2: Honestly Face Reality and Make Tough Decisions

Focus 3: High Standards and Quality of Life

2. 2014 Milpas Street Christmas Parade – For Discussion and Action

Recommendation: That the N.A.C. decide if whether or not to participate in the 2014 Milpas Street Christmas Parade. The decision shall consider method of participation and how N.A.C. members will coordinate and secure entry. - Sebastian Aldana, NAC Chair

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Peña and Cavazos respectively, to not participate in the 2014 Milpas St. Christmas Parade. Members Heaton, Lafond, Peña, and Cavazos in favor. Members Aldana, Foxen, and Limón not in favor. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of the Minutes – For Action (Attachment)

Recommendation: That the N.A.C. waive the reading and approve the minutes of regular meeting August 9, 2014.

It was moved and seconded by Advisory Council Members Cavazos and Heaton respectively, to waive the reading and approve the minutes. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES

Neighborhood Advisory Council Members will be allowed one minute each to provide a brief report on their respective neighborhood.

Lafond: Interesting week on Westside, drunk drivers, people sleeping in cars on China st.

Limon: Would like mark to repeat on the services that N.O.S provides on a consistent basis

Peña: none

Heaton: Downtown area in general had a big power outage-stop lights were out, there was mayhem. How prepared our community members? Are the community centers a resource during disasters? something we should start thinking about as a neighborhood group

Foxen: Picked up new city phone numbers

Aldana: Taste of Milpas was this weekend. Lots of improvements going on the Eastside. East of Soledad and Montecito, streets are being done properly

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Longstreet:

- Participating in task force address behavior impacting Westside areas with increased student housing. Meeting not until December and will report. Contact Beebe with issues to share. Forum in October open to public as residents are angry.
- Oct. 23rd is 90+ birthday party-free luncheon

Council member White:

- Asked if all N.A.C. members where on Nextdoor.com? It is starting to get traction and it would be good to get N.A.C. members on there and spread the word.
- Appreciates the comment about emergency preparedness, if N.A.C. could help talk about it, that would be great.
- There is an effect its try to enhance the non-city presence on State St. Questions have came up about more officers or more yellow-shirts, ect.

M. Alvarado:

- Introduced Judith McCaffrey who now oversees N.O.S
- Completed mural at Cleveland school with ICAN and 6 sixth graders
- Got the grant for the --- bridge/should bring plans to N.A.C
- YMCA to open up Hailey St. youth center on Oct. 20th in spring encouraged N.A.C to stop by
- Have an agreement to start a culinary program for neighborhood kids to g et school credit in the spring ... Partnership with city college and school district
- Have applied for a grant for the culinary program
- N.A.C received CDBG packets this evening, please review. Provide input on next week's meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

None

ADJOURNMENT: 7:53pm